

# Brenda L. Gunn

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## Degrees and Qualifications

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2008	<b>Barrister and Solicitor</b> , Law Society of Manitoba
2007	<b>Barrister and Solicitor</b> , Law Society of Upper Canada
2006	<b>Master of Laws</b> , Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy, University of Arizona Thesis entitled “Reconciling Indigenous Peoples’ Land Rights with International Trade Regulations”
2005	<b>Juris Doctor</b> , University of Toronto
2002	<b>Bachelor of Arts (Advanced)</b> , University of Manitoba Majored in Women’s Studies and Minored in Native Studies

## Appointments

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April 2015-Present	Associate Professor, University of Manitoba, Faculty of Law
July 2009-Mar 2015	Assistant Professor, University of Manitoba, Faculty of Law
February-May, 2013	Visiting Academic, University of New South Wales, Faculty of Law

## Research Contributions

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### \*Refereed Contributions

- \*Brenda Gunn, “A Métis Treaty Through the Lens of International Law” (2017) 7 *Aboriginal Policy Studies*.
- \*Brenda Gunn, “Exploring the International Character of Treaties 1–11 and the Legal Consequences” Canada in International Law at 150 and Beyond | Paper No. 7 — January 2018.
- \*Brenda Gunn, “Human Rights Based Approach to the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls Inquiry,” (2017) 2:2 *Lakehead Law Journal* 88-115.
- \*Brenda Gunn, “Beyond Van der Peet: Bringing Together International, Indigenous and Constitutional Law” in *UNDRIP Implementation: Braiding International, Domestic and Indigenous Law* (Centre for International Governance Innovation, Waterloo: 2017) 29-37.
- \*Brenda Gunn, “Defining Métis People as a People: Moving Beyond the Indian/Métis Dichotomy,” (2015) 38(2) *Dalhousie Law Journal* 413-446.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Moving Beyond Rhetoric: Achieving Reconciliation Through Fulfillment of Indigenous Peoples' Right to Self-Determination," (2015) 38(1) *Dalhousie Law Journal* 237-270.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Self-Determination and Indigenous Women: Legitimacy through Inclusion," (2014) 26(2) *Canadian Journal of Women and the Law* 241-275.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Getting it Right: The Canadian Constitution and International Indigenous Rights," in *Indivisible: Indigenous Human Rights*, Joyce Green, ed (Vancouver, Fernwood Publishing: 2014).

\*Brenda Gunn, "Overcoming Obstacles to Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada," (2013) 31:1 *Windsor Yearbook of Access to Justice* 147-174.

\*Brenda Gunn, "More than Money: Using International Law of Reparations to Determine Fair Compensation for Infringements of Aboriginal Title," (2013) 46:2 *UBC Law Review* 299-348.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Protecting Indigenous Peoples' Lands: Making Room for the Application of Indigenous Peoples' Laws within the Canadian Legal System," (2007) 6.1 *Indigenous Law Journal* 31-69.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Impacts of The North American Free Trade Agreement on Indigenous Peoples and Their Interests," (2006) 9 *Balayi: Culture, Law and Colonialism* 5-25.

\*S. Brennan, B. Gunn, G. Williams, "'Sovereignty' and Treaty-Making Between Indigenous Peoples and Australian Governments," (2004) 26.3 *Sydney Law Review* 307-352.

### **Forthcoming Publications**

\*Brenda Gunn, "The Federal Court Aboriginal Bar Liaison Committee as a Mode of Reconciliation", in *Redefining Relationships: Indigenous Peoples and Canada*, eds Karen Drake and Brenda Gunn (Saskatoon, Native Law Center: 2017), accepted.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Where's the Women: Critical Analysis of Three Supreme Court of Canada decisions Regarding Métis People," in *Métis Rising: The People and the Law*, eds Yvonne Boyer and Larry Chartrand, (UBC Press/Purich Publishing: expected 2018), accepted.

\*Brenda Gunn, "Engaging National Human Rights Institutions in Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples," Centre for International Governance Innovation, accepted.

### **Non-Refereed Contributions**

#### ***Thesis***

Brenda Gunn, "Reconciling Indigenous Peoples' Land Rights with International Trade Regulations" (LL.M. Thesis, University of Arizona, 2006).

#### ***Publications***

Brenda L Gunn, "CIGI at the Tenth Session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" blog post, October 31, 2017, <https://www.cigionline.org/articles/cigi-tenth-session-expert-mechanism-rights-indigenous-peoples>.

Brenda L Gunn, "Will the Gendered Aspects of Canada's Colonial Project Be Addressed?" blog post, October 19, 2017, <https://www.cigionline.org/articles/will-gendered-aspects-canadas-colonial-project-be-addressed>.

Brenda Gunn, “The legal system has harmed indigenous women enough – make it the focus of the inquiry,” opinion, *Globe and Mail*, August 7, 2016.

Brenda Gunn and Alex Neve, “Canada comes up short at UN review of human-rights issues,” opinion, *Globe and Mail*, February 26, 2016.

Brenda Gunn, “UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Reconciliation” in *Wrongs to Rights: in search of healing*, Steve Heinrichs, ed (Winnipeg, Mennonite Church Canada, 2016).

Brenda Gunn, “Self-Determination as the Basis for Reconciliation: Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” (2012) 7.30 *Indigenous Law Bulletin* 22.

Brenda Gunn, “Let’s Get on With It: Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” (2011) 16.1 *Justice As Healing* 1.

Brenda Gunn, “Understanding and Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: An Introductory Handbook” (2011), 36 pages.

Brenda Gunn, Note on International Developments: “Extension of the UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of Indigenous People’s Mandate,” (2007) 11.3 *Australian Indigenous Law Review*, 115.

### **Reports**

2016, Aboriginal Legal Services NGO Submission to Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women on Canada’s periodic review.

2016, Indigenous Bar Association in Canada NGO Submission to Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on Canada’s 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Periodic Review.

2015, “Summary of responses to the questionnaire seeking the views of States and Indigenous Peoples on best practices regarding possible appropriate measures and implementation strategies to attain the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” provided technical assistance and drafted Report of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People, UN Doc A/HRC/30/54, 17 August 2015.

2014, “Final summary of responses to the questionnaire seeking the views of States and Indigenous Peoples on best practices regarding possible appropriate measures and implementation strategies to attain the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” provided technical assistance and drafted Report of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People, UN Doc A/HRC/27/67.

2013, “Final summary of responses to the questionnaire seeking the views of States and Indigenous Peoples on best practices regarding possible appropriate measures and implementation strategies to attain the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” provided technical assistance and drafted Report of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People, 25 April 2013, UN Doc. A/HRC/EMRIP/2013/3.

2012, “Living Together Differently: Moving Past IRS Legacy Through Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Right of Self-Determination,” commissioned research report for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

2012, Indigenous Bar Association in Canada NGO Submission to the Seminar on “Strengthening partnership between indigenous peoples and States: Treaties, agreements and constructive arrangements,” to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, UN Doc HR/GENEVA/SEM/NGOs/2012/BP.16.

2012, “Summary of responses from the questionnaire seeking the views of States on best practices regarding possible appropriate measures and implementation strategies in order to attain the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” provided technical assistance and drafted Report of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People.

2012, Indigenous Bar Association in Canada NGO Report on Canada’s Nineteenth and Twentieth Periodic Report to CERD, submitted to the Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

2008, “Review and Update of LAO’s Online Resources for Lawyers Working With Aboriginal Clients,” commissioned research report for Legal Aid Ontario.

2005, “Critical Analysis of Federal Policies: New Band and Additions to Reserve Policy,” commissioned research report for the Ipperwash Inquiry.

### ***Scholarly Conference Presentations***

“Understanding the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” presentation to First Nations youth, St. Teresa Point First Nations, March 24, 2017.

“The UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples & Directors” Institute of Corporate Directors, Winnipeg, April 7, 2017.

“Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada,” Balsillie School of International Affairs Summer School, Waterloo, May 17, 2017.

“UNDRIP Implementation: Braiding International, Domestic and Indigenous Laws,” roundtable CIGI Roundtable, Ottawa, May 31, 2017.

“Implementing the UN Declaration,” panel discussion, Canadian Bar Association Aboriginal Bar Conference, Winnipeg, June 2, 2017.

“Canadian Constitution and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” Realizing Rights 2017: Human Rights and Constitutionalism, University of Ottawa, June 8, 2017.

“Tackling Climate Change: Development of Mitigation Policies with Indigenous Voices,” Law and Society Association Joint Conference, Mexico City, June 22, 2017.

“UNDRIP Implementation: Braiding International, Domestic and Indigenous Laws”, workshop participant, Center for International Governance Innovation, Tucson, AZ, December 1-2, 2016.

“Indigenous Peoples and the Charter,” Hearing and Deciding Charter Matters, National Judicial Institute, Vancouver, BC, November 24, 2016.

“Practical Approaches to Engaging the UN *Declaration* in Practice,” Pimohtéwin tati mīnowastānowahk (Journey to Reconciliation): Lawyers Called to Action, Pitblado Lectures, Winnipeg, MB, November 5, 2016.

“UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” panel presentation with Natan Obed and Merrell-Ann Phare, *The Promise of International Law: Solutions for the World’s Crises*, Canadian Council on International Law, Ottawa, ON, November 4, 2016.

“Implementing the UN Declaration as a Framework of Reconciliation,” panel presentation with Pamela Palmater and Harry Swain, Walter Gordon Symposium, Massey Hall, University of Toronto, March 23, 2016.

“Considering the Range of Human rights Violations: Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls,” *Planning for Change: Towards a National Inquiry and an Effective National Action Plan*, Symposium on Murders and Disappearances of Indigenous Women and Girls, Ottawa, ON, January 30-31, 2016.

\*“Tackling Climate Change: Development of Mitigation Policies with Indigenous Voices”, *Resilience in a time of Uncertainty: Indigenous Peoples and Climate Change* conference, UNESCO, Paris, France, November 26-27, 2015.

“Legal Understandings of Treaties,” Panel on Manitoba Treaties and Education, Aboriginal Education Leadership Initiative, Winnipeg, MB, February 27, 2015.

“Métis or Indian But Not Both: Regulating Métis Identity,” Identity Workshop, Dalhousie School of Law, Halifax, October 20-21, 2014.

“The Canadian Constitution: Protecting Treaties and Indigenous Peoples’ Lands,” *Understanding Treaties: An overview of Law, Academics, Governance*, Aboriginal Relations Branch, Manitoba Conservation, 2014 Speakers Bureau Series, Winnipeg, MB, June 17, 2014.

Panel Member, “Round Table on Keeping the Land: Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug, Reconciliation and Canadian Law,” Law and Society Conference, Winnipeg, MB, June 7, 2014.

“Current Issues in Canada on Good Governance,” UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, 13<sup>th</sup> Session, side event organized by Maori and Indigenous Governance Centre and Waikato University, New York, NY, USA, May 14, 2014.

Organized and Chaired, “Beyond Flows and Sightlines: Beginning Conversations on Systemic Discrimination and the Death of Brian Sinclair,” half day workshop Winnipeg, MB Friday, April 4, 2014.

Chaired panel “Metis Peoples and Metis Rights Issues,” National Judicial Institute, Winnipeg, MB, March 7, 2014.

“Relevance of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada,” Pitblado Lectures, Winnipeg, Manitoba, November 22, 2013.

“Renewing Nation-to-Nation Relationships: Realizing Indigenous Peoples’ Right to Self-Determination,” Indigenous Perspectives on the Royal Proclamation of 1763, Winnipeg, MB, October 4, 2013.

“Duty to Consult – UNDRIP & Domestic Law/Policy,” Challenges in Litigating Aboriginal Law and the Crown – Aboriginal Relationship, Ministry of Attorney General Crown Counsel Summer School, Hamilton, Ontario, June 20, 2013.

“Taking Action to Implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” Canadian Indigenous Symposium, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, May 7, 2013.

“International framework for protecting Indigenous rights: Role of the UN and the use of UNDRIP,” World Indigenous Lawyers Conference, Te Hunga Rōia Māori o Aotearoa, Hamilton, New Zealand, September 5-8, 2012.

\*“Overcoming Obstacles to Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada,” International Conference on Law and Society, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 5-8, 2012.

“The UN Declaration and Indigenous Laws in Canadian Courts: Making Better Space for Elders Oral Histories,” Our Way: A Conference on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Indigenous Law-Making, University of Saskatchewan, March 22-24, 2012.

“Self-Determination as the Basis for Reconciliation: Implementing the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*,” Indigenous Peoples, Truth & Reconciliation Workshop, McGill University, Montreal, October 14, 2011.

“Best Practices and Future Directions: A Consideration of Legal Aid Ontario’s Initiatives,” Implementing *Gladue*: Law & Policy 20 Years After the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry, University of Manitoba March 17, 2011.

“Self-Determination as the Basis for Reconciliation: Moving Past Colonialism in the IRS Policy,” Critical Conversations on Indian Residential Schools, Truth and Reconciliation Colloquium Series, University of Manitoba, March 7, 2011.

“Indigenous Land Rights at International Law: Asserting the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and other International Law Mechanisms within Canada,” Indigenous Bar Association, Vancouver, October 21, 2010.

“Application of Principles of Reparation in International Law to Determinations Of ‘Fair Compensation’ for Infringements Of Aboriginal Title in Canada,” Manitoba Bar Association Mid-Winter Conference, Winnipeg, January 22, 2010.

“Recognition of Aboriginal Title in Canada and the Implications for Canadian Mining Companies in Guatemala,” Emerging Scholars Research Workshop, University of Manitoba, May 6, 2009.

“Moving Past Liberal Rights Towards a Post-Colonial Legal Consciousness,” presented at Indigenous Law and Legal Systems: Recognition and Revitalization Conference, University of

Toronto, January 20-21, 2007.

## Research Grants and Awards

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2016	Merit Award (Combined Research and Service), University of Manitoba \$3000
2016	Redefining Relationships: Canada and Indigenous Peoples, SSHRC Connections Grant (Principle Investigator), \$13,966
2015	Outreach Award, University of Manitoba
2014	<i>Métis Treaties in Canada: Past, Present and Future</i> , SSHRC Insight Grant (Co-Applicant), \$423,904.
2014	Systemic Racism in the Health Care System, Centre for Human Rights Research Small Research Grants, (Principal Investigator), \$2300.
2013	<i>The Right to Clean Water in First Nations: The Most Precious Gift</i> , SSHRC Partnership Development Grant (Co-Applicant), \$200,000.
2013	Brenda Gunn, <i>Application of International Law on Treaties to Treaties Signed Between the Crown and First Nations</i> , Legal Research Institute, \$6850.
2012	Brenda Gunn, <i>Metis or Indian Not Both</i> , Legal Research Institute, \$6850.
2011	Brenda Gunn, <i>Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada</i> , Canadian Bar Association Law For the Future Fund (Principal Investigator), \$25,000.
2011	Brenda Gunn, <i>Overcoming the Obstacles to Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada</i> , University of Manitoba Research Grants Program (Principal Investigator), \$7500.

## Research Experience

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November 2008 - July 2009	<b>Researcher</b> , University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia - Undertaking collaborative research on “Constitutional reform and Aboriginal women in Canada: Lessons for Australia”.
June - November 2008	<b>Consultant</b> , Legal Aid Ontario, Toronto, Ontario - Contracted to update and improve existing resources and create additional materials for legal aid lawyers representing Aboriginal clients.
May 2005 - October 2005	<b>Policy Reviewer</b> , Ipperwash Inquiry, Ontario Government - Contracted by Commissioner Linden to conduct a review on the process and efficacy of the Federal policies to create new reserves in Ontario.
May 2004 - September 2004	<b>Research Associate</b> , University of Technology, Sydney, Australia - Analyzed NAFTA provisions to determine potential impacts on and benefits for Indigenous people.

May 2003 - **Research Associate**, University of New South Wales, Australia  
August 2003 - Conducted comparative and interdisciplinary research on the implications of state sovereignty for signing a modern-day treaty in Australia.

### Additional Experience Related to Teaching

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March 2013 **Instructor/Convenor**, Indigenous Peoples and International Law, Graduate Law Course, University of New South Wales Faculty of Law, Sydney, Australia.

May - July 2010 **Law Teacher**, Program of Legal Studies for Native People, University of Saskatchewan  
May - July 2009 - Taught the Aboriginal property component for the first year property course to Aboriginal students accepted into a Canadian law school, incorporating the instruction of skills required to succeed in law school.

May 2006 - **Law Teacher**, Program of Legal Studies for Native People, University of Saskatchewan  
July 2006 - Taught the Personal property component for the first year property course to Aboriginal students accepted into a Canadian law school, incorporating the instruction of skills required to succeed in law school.

March 2006 - **Module Developer**, Aboriginal Governance, University of the Arctic  
July 2006 - Designed a teaching modules on “Treaty Relationships between Aboriginal peoples and Canadian governments” and “The Crown’s Duty of Consultation and Accommodation with Aboriginal People”.

### Professional Experience

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July 2008-Present **Consultant**, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
- Worked with local lawyers providing expert advice on potential international human rights causes of actions on an ongoing case.  
- Provided litigation support for the preparation of a constitutional challenge before the Manitoba provincial courts on a treaty rights case.

September 2007 - **Human Rights Advisor**, Community Legal Clinic, Rabinal, Guatemala  
June 2008 - Provided advice to staff lawyer on technical and procedural matters regarding cases submitted to the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights claiming the genocide of rural Indigenous communities.

August 2006 - **Articling Student**, Sierra Legal Defence Fund, Toronto, Ontario  
September 2007 - Conducted research, drafted and prepared court documents.  
- Participated in the development of legal strategies with the aim of generating precedent setting environmental cases.  
- Conducted client interviews and drafted affidavits.

August 2005 - **Clinic Volunteer**, International Human Rights Clinic, University of Arizona



May 2006 - Worked on a land rights case for rural communities in Belize to be brought before the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights and then before the domestic courts in Belize.

### Professional Service and Community Activities

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Present **American Society of International Law**, Co-Chair of Indigenous Rights Interest Group

Present **CC-UNESCO**, Sectoral Commission Member

Present **Indigenous Law Centre**, UNSW, Research Centre Associate

Present **Centre for International Governance Innovation**, Fellow

Present **Manitoba Legal Aid Management Council**, Director

Present **Innocence Canada**, Director

Present **International Law Association**, Canadian Branch, Member  
Member of the Indigenous Rights Committee

Present **Australian Indigenous Law Review**, Editorial Panel Member

Present **Federal Court Aboriginal Bar Liaison Committee**, Committee Member

Present **Manitoba Métis Federation**, Member

2014 **International Funders for Indigenous Peoples**, Advisory Committee  
- develop toolkit that will help donors incorporate UNDRIP

Oct 2009-Sept 2013 **Indigenous Bar Association**, Board of Directors

### Other Professional Activities

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#### *Select Public Lectures*

“Metis Women and Self-Determination: Engaging Indigenous Legal Feminism,” Center for Feminist Legal Studies Lecture Series, Allard School of Law, UBC, October 11, 2016.

“UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples & TRC Calls to Action,” University of Toronto Faculty of Law, September 22, 2016.

“Current developments and best practices to implement the UN Declaration,” Human Rights / Sustainability Campus Community Dialogue, University of Hawaii Manoa, February 17, 2015.

“Including Indigenous Women in Self-Determination,” Distinguished Speaker, UND’s Indian Association’s, Time-Out Week, University of North Dakota, April 20, 2016.

“Using the UN Declaration to Renew Nation-to-Nation Relationships,” Centre for Hawaiian Studies, University of Hawaii Manoa, February 12, 2015.

“Relevance of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Canada,” Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba Speakers Series, Winnipeg, MB, January 27, 2015.

“Systemic Racism in the Health Care System: Impacts on Aboriginal Peoples’ Determinants of Health” Student group on Bioethics: Aboriginal Health, Robson Hall Faculty of Law, November 12, 2014.

“Best Practices on Implementing the UN *Declaration* and Self-Determination,” University of Hawaii Faculty of Law, April 30, 2014.

“Indigenous Peoples Engagement with International Law,” guest lecture, University of Winnipeg, July 22, 2014.

“Exploring the Relevance of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples” University College of the North, St. Theresa Point, Manitoba, March 3, 2014.

“Addressing Treaty Conflicts: Relevance of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” UNESCO Student Conference, Vincent Massey Collegiate, Winnipeg, MB, February 24, 2014.

“Implementing the UN Declaration: Updates from Canada,” University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand, May 9, 2013.

“Embodying the Principles in the UN Declaration: Reflections on the Canadian Federal Court Aboriginal Bar Liaison Committee,” University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, May 7, 2013.

“Relevance of the UN Declaration to Understanding and Implementing Treaties,” New Zealand Human Rights Commission, May 3, 2013.

“Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Updates from Canada,” University of Victoria, Wellington, New Zealand, May 2, 2013.

“Canadian Experiences with Implementing the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*,” Political Studies Department, University of Hawaii Manoa, February 13, 2013.

“Understanding and Implementing the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*: Comparisons to the Canadian Situation,” Human Rights / Sustainability Campus Community Dialogue, University of Hawaii, February 14, 2013.

“Relevance of the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* in Law-Making,” Human Rights Caucus, Hawaii State Capitol, February 14, 2013.

“Understanding and Implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,” Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba, Winnipeg, January 31, 2013.

“Developing Community Workshops on Implementing the *Declaration* in Canada: Lessons Learned,” UN Permanent Forum On Indigenous Issues, New York, May 8, 2012.

“Understanding and Implementing the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*: An Introductory Workshop,” Ottawa, ON September 29, 2011; Brokenhead First Nation, MB, October 13; Cole Harbour Reserve, NS, October 25, 2011; and Vancouver, BC, November 11, 2011.

“Implementing the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* in the Health Field,” Assembly of First Nations National Health Forum, “Taking Action to Move Forward”, Ottawa, ON, November 7-9, 2011.

“Using the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* to Promote Self-Determination,” Indigenous Academic Exchange with University of Victoria Wellington, University of Manitoba, August 26, 2011.

“Understanding the UN *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*,” Indigenous Peoples and International Human Rights, Confederation College, February 24, 2011.

“Litigation of the Numbered Treaties in Canada,” guest lecture to Native Peoples of Canada Part 1 course, University of Manitoba, November 8, 2008.

“The Evolution of Indigenous Peoples’ Rights in International Law,” presented at Kelvin High School, Winnipeg, MB, September 19, 2008.

#### *Conference Attendance*

- June 25-26, 2014      **Traditional Knowledge Keepers Forum on Reconciliation**, Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, Winnipeg, MB, Observer.
- November 1-3, 2013    **Aboriginal Academic Forum**, Canadian Association of University Teachers, Toronto, ON, Participant.
- July 15-19, 2013      **Training Programme to Enhance the Conflict Prevention and Peacemaking Capacities of Indigenous Peoples’ Representatives**, United Nations Institute for Training and Research, Geneva, Switzerland Participant.
- July 16-17, 2012      **Treaty Seminar**, “Strengthening Partnership between States and indigenous peoples: treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements,” Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Participant.
- November 11-13, 2011 **Aboriginal Academic Forum**, Canadian Association of University Teachers, Vancouver, BC, Participant.
- October 26-29, 2011    **Atlantic National Event**, Truth and Reconciliation Commission Canada, Halifax, NS, Participant.
- 2011, 12, 13, 14, 16    **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Sessions, Participant.
- March 1-3, 2011        **Sharing Truth – Creating a National Research Centre on Residential Schools**, Truth and Reconciliation Commission, Vancouver, BC, Participant.
- November 18-20, 2010 **Equal in Dignity: Human Rights and the Passage of Generations**, Trudeau Foundation Annual Conference on Public Policy, Winnipeg, MB.
- October 15, 2009      **Indigenous Pedagogies Meeting of Aboriginal Law Professors**, in conjunction with the Indigenous Bar Association Annual Conference.
- October 23, 2008      **Pedagogy of Teaching Aboriginal Law and Rights**, Discussion of Indigenous Professors and Graduate Students, Indigenous Bar Association Annual Conference, Participant.
- 2004, 2005, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018      **United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth Sessions, New York, USA, Participant.

September 13-24,  
2004

**United Nations Working Group on the Draft Declaration on the  
Rights of Indigenous People**, Geneva, Switzerland, Participant.